Doris E. Buffett Pool - Summer 2023

Opening Day, May 26 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Memorial Day Weekend, May 28-30

11:00am-7:00pm

Regular Hours

May 30 - August 6 Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 11am - 7pm Tuesday/Thursday: 11am - 4pm Weekends: 11:00am - 7:00pm

Altered Schedule (Weekends Only)

August 8-September 4 11:00am-7:00pm

Labor Day, September 5th

11:00am-7:00pm

*Schedule is subject to change. Please check Fredericksburg Parks, Recreation and Events Facebook page and subscribe to Fred Alerts for up to date information.

Doris E. Buffett Pool is located in Dixon Park 1300 Dixon St., Fredericksburg, VA (540) 372-1086 - P&R Office (540) 310-0665 - Pool Phone (during pool hours ONLY)

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Want to receive swim lesson cancellation, pool closures and other important information? Fredericksburg Alert delivers important emergency alerts, notifications and updates to you on all your devices.

City Resident are FREE with proof of City of Fredericksburg residency.

Proof of Residency to Claim City Status

Ages:

Proof of residency is required in order to claim City status for free admission. Two proofs of City of Fredericksburg residency is required to claim city status. Verification of date of birth is also required for children 12-17 years old entering without adult supervision. Forms of acceptable proof of residency are driver's license, voter registration, school ID, tax bills, a copy of your current electric, gas or utilities bills (renters may submit a copy of their lease or other bill in your name showing the address.

Daily Admission Fees For Guests and Non-Residents Fee:

Baby 2 years & under FREE
Child 3 - 17 years \$6
Adult 18 - 54 years \$8
Senior 55 years & older \$6 **Discount Pool Punch Card** \$100

Save money and purchase our Pool Punch Card -20 admissions for \$100.00. Passes are good only during the season issued.

Admission Requirements

- Anyone who enters pool area, must pay (as applicable), regardless of whether or not they are swimming.
- Children 11 years old and younger must be accompanied by someone 18 years or older.
- Children 12-17 year old may enter without adult supervision upon successfully completing our swim test, but may not be responsible for other children.
- An adult **18 years of age or older** may be responsible for up to 4 patrons age 17 years or younger, and must be within arm's reach of all of their non-swimmers.
- Without proof of residency, non-city fees will be charged.
- Admission can be paid by cash, credit card, or by using Pool Punch Pass.
 Checks are not accepted.
- Patrons who exit the facility after being appropriately "marked" by staff may reenter (if occupancy loads permit) within the same day without paying a second
 admission. Everyone entering Doris E. Buffett Pool must pay (as applicable) and is
 subject to all admission policies and must abide by all pool rules even if they are
 not swimming.

Aquatic Facility Rules

COVID Protocols

 Capacity and protocols may change at any point based on changes in the pandemic/protocols, Governor's Orders or CDC guidelines. Fredericksburg Parks, Recreation and Events reserves the right to implement or change protocols at any time without warning. Please visit our website and follow our Facebook page for any changes.

<u>Proper Bathing Attire</u>: FPRE works hard to ensure the health and safety of our pool patrons by following industry best practices and CDC health guidelines. Please note the swim attire requirements for the Doris E. Buffett Pool.

- All persons on the pool deck and/or swimming in the pool must have on proper swim attire.
- All infants/toddlers that require a diaper must wear swimmer diapers and proper swimwear overtop of the swim diaper.
- Clean cotton t-shirts and sarongs are allowed on the pool deck, however patrons must have on proper swim attire underneath.
- Showers are required before entering pool.

- IT IS THE PATRON'S RESPONSIBILITY TO HAVE PROPER SWIM ATTIRE. The front gate staff will work hard to ask/remind every patron/group prior to entering the pool. Signs are posted at the front gate and throughout the pool as a reminder. All pool staff will enforce swim attire requirements. Patrons who enter the pool without proper swim attire will be asked to exit the pool immediately. REFUNDS WILL NOT BE ISSUED FOR IMPROPER SWIM ATTIRE.
- The following attire is not allowed at the Doris E. Buffett pool:
 - "Street clothes," Brazil/French-cut, thong style and/or revealing swim wear, cut-off jeans, jeans, skirts, shorts, sport bras, leotards, leggings, dri-fit wear, compression shorts and compression shirts are prohibited. Underwear and undergarments are not allowed to be worn under swimsuits.
- Pool patrons often ask, "Why do I have to wear proper swimwear?" Here are just a
 few reasons why it is important to wear proper pool attire in the pool.
 - Street clothes (especially cotton) can transport airborne and ultimately water borne contaminants into the pool.
 - Lycra and Nylon are the best non-absorbent material for swimming and are the best fabrics for proper swim attire.
 - Other absorbent materials (such as cotton) can break down in the water and cause fibers to clog filters.
 - Any "colored" material (unless specifically made for swimming) can bleed into the pool, affecting water chemistry and balance. This is also a reason for turbidity (cloudiness) in pools.
 - Cotton and similar materials can absorb the chemicals in the water, causing the water to become less effective at maintaining the proper chemical balance or may cloud the water.
- If you are unsure of the requirement, please ask the front gate staff prior to paying and entering the pool area.
- Questions about proper bathing attire may be addressed with the pool manager on duty.



<u>Food and Beverages</u>: Coolers may be brought into the pool area, but food must be consumed in the <u>concession area only</u> <u>ONLY</u> closed container drinks will be allowed on the pool deck. Glass bottles or alcoholic beverages are not permitted in or around the

pool facility.

<u>Chairs and Other Equipment</u>: Folding chairs or umbrellas may be brought into pool area. The department will not be held responsible in any way for the operation of, damage to, or loss of such equipment.

<u>Drop off Policy</u>: Children 12-17 years may be admitted without supervision provided they pass the swim test.

<u>Swim Tests</u>: In order to enter the square section of the pool, or go down the slide, ALL patrons ages 17 or younger must first successfully complete our swim test.

<u>Diaper Policy</u>: Any child who wears a diaper must wear a "little swimmer" type of diaper with a bathing suit over it to go into the water.

<u>Open Wound or Communicable Disease:</u> To protect your health, and that of other swimmers, you **may not** use the pool if you have an open wound or communicable disease (i.e. chicken pox, pink eye, poison ivy, etc).

<u>Play Toys</u>: Aquatic play items **are not** permitted in pool. No motorized toys. No masks, snorkels, and fins permitted. However, lifeguards have the right to grant permission based on the capacity and current situation in the pool. After a designated number of people in the pool, no play toys will be allowed (water wings are not recommended for children to wear). An adult must be within arm's reach of any child using a flotation device. For your child's safety, ONLY flotation devices that have a seat and are Coast Guard approved will be permitted in the pool.

<u>Jewelry</u>: Be advised that jewelry, especially piercing and dangling necklaces or earrings, is dangerous to wear while swimming.

<u>Safe Behaviors</u>: No diving or jumping from pool sides. To prevent injuries, running and other dangerous activities are not permitted. No competitive breath holding or prolonged underwater swimming permitted.

Adult Swim: Hourly adult swim is for adults 18 yrs and older.

<u>Bad Language</u>: The use of foul language, obscenities or other vulgar or disrespectful language toward pool personnel or other patrons will not be permitted, and is cause for disciplinary action.

<u>Discipline</u>: Any person that does not obey the facility rules, or fails to follow directions from the lifeguards will be asked to "sit out" from the pool. If behavior continues, the person will be asked to leave the pool facility for the day. Should that person's behavior worsen, or should such behavior be continued on another day at the facility, the person shall be suspended from the aquatic facility for a time period of one (1) week to the entire season, depending on the severity of the infraction.

Aquatics staff are responsible for enforcing all pool rules; willful or repeated violators will be asked to leave and/or lose pool privileges for up to the entire

season. Final determination of suitability of toys or behaviors shall be made by pool management. Pool may be closed as needed for weather or other incidents at the discretion of the City of Fredericksburg.

Please contact the main office for additional information.